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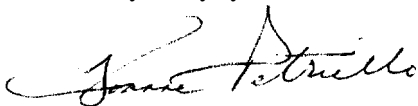
RE: Docket Numbers: **98N-** 1230; **96P-04** 18; **97P-0** 197

To Whom It May Concern:

As an egg consumer, I am writing to request that the FDA ban forced molting. This unnatural state of induced starvation may bring about molting to manipulate egg production, but at what cost? The result is reduced immunity in hens, and increased risk to humans as subsequent disease is passed from chicken and egg to the public.

Warning labels are neither here nor there. The fact is I buy eggs, and should be able to purchase them without fear of salmonella poisoning. Please ban forced molting and reduce consumer risk. Let's not sacrifice safety for the bottom line. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Joanne Petriello".

Joanne Petriello

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